

Fall 2019

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*"If a child is to keep alive his inborn sense of wonder, he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, the excitement and mystery of the world we live in."*

*Rachel Carson*

For anyone who feels discouraged about what is going on in the world today I would invite them to spend some time in the woods with a child.

This spring and summer we have been able to do just that offering a successful Thorncrag Nature Week for a third year, spending time with the Litchfield School students at the Smithfield Plantation and with children attending Friends of Cobbossee summer camp in Winthrop. It's magic what a homemade bug box can do for a child's sense of wonder. They get as excited about catching a grasshopper or ant as a scientist does finding a new celestial body.

Each day at Thorncrag Nature week we focused on a different topic including earth, air and water, but as always, among their favorite activities was the simple act of walking in the woods, armed with hand lens and bug box to see what we could see. There is now a frog in the Blue Trail Pond which one child named after me – what an honor! The delight was at the end of the week when every child announced that he or she wanted to come back next year. No computers, no smart phones, just enjoying being outside.



## MEMBERSHIP

### DUES

As noted in the Spring newsletter we have eliminated the Spring membership renewal and returned to one membership drive in the Fall. You will see a donation envelope in this newsletter which you can use for renewal. We'll also send a reminder later this year.



## ANNUAL MEETING

**Monday OCTOBER 7, 2019**

Green Ladle – Lewiston Regional Technical Center  
156 East Ave, Lewiston Maine

**Michael Good – Founder of Acadia Birding Festival  
“Birding in Cuba”**

**Time: 5:30-6pm ....Displays/Silent Auction**

**6-7pm ...Dinner**

**7-8pm...Keynote Speaker**

**8-8:15...Annual Meeting and Auction**

**Results**



### REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$20.00 = Total Amount \_\_\_\_\_

**Please clip form and mail checks with this registration to:**

**Stanton Bird Club**

**P.O. Box 3172, Lewiston, ME 04243**

## BYLAW CHANGE

### Article IV. Government

Section 1: The governing body of this corporation shall consist of a Board of eleven members of the corporation. The tenure of office of the Directors shall be two years, at most only six Directors' terms can expire in any one year. Therefore at each annual meeting of the corporation, six members shall be elected to a new term by a majority of the members present in one year and five members shall be elected in the alternate year; due notice having been given in advance to all members. **Election of board members will be by show of hands or, if requested, by ballot.**

Fall Migration is underway!



## *Lewiston / Auburn*

### *Christmas Bird Count*

**DECEMBER 21, Saturday: DAWN TO DUSK**

Help us with this annual census of our resident bird population. A fun day of birding, followed by a pizza feast.

Contact Linda Seamans to participate, 240-1380 or [seamans.linda@gmail.com](mailto:seamans.linda@gmail.com)

Back-up date: Sunday Dec. 29

## Late Summer/Fall 2019 Wednesday Walks

The Stanton Bird Club is pleased to continue our 12th year of Guided Wednesday Bird Walks.

Walks will be held even if it is drizzling, but if there is a steady rain at 7am projected to last through 9am, the walk is cancelled. Walks are approximately 2 miles on a generally even surface.

**All walks start at 8am at the walk location and end by 11am.**

**Aug. 21 Whitman Spring Road, Auburn** - we will start at the southern end.

Meet at the SOUTH entrance, first right after Summer St. beyond Youngs Corner.

**Sept. 4 YMCA Outdoor Education Center, 167 Stetson Rd., Auburn**

Property is on the right before Schooner Estates. Park on gravel at entrance.

**Sept. 18 St. Peter's Cemetery, Lewiston**

Enter on Deer Rd. off outer Main St., proceed to last roadway beyond the mausoleum.

**Oct. 2 Androscoggin River Trail, Lisbon**

Meet in parking area for Papermill Trail at the boat launch, Rt. 196 at Frost Hill Ave.

**Oct. 16 Packard-Littlefield Farm, Lisbon**

Meet at the farm, 76 Littlefield Rd. off of Rt. 196

**Oct. 30 Sabattus Pond, Sabattus**

Meet in the parking lot of former Sabattus Antique Mall, 519 Sabattus Rd. (Rt. 126)

All walks are free  
and open to  
everyone,  
beginning  
naturalist and  
advanced birder.

For any  
questions, call  
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## Fall Field Trips

**OCTOBER 19, Saturday: 8:00AM-11:00AM *Milkhouse Farm, South Monmouth***

This is a new location for a club field trip, should be fun and interesting. Come walk the paths and fields of a South Monmouth dairy farm looking for fall migrants.

**NOVEMBER 23, Saturday: 8:00AM-NOON *Lewiston / Auburn Lakes and Rivers***

Explore open water from Lake Auburn to Sabattus Pond for ducks and other late migrants.

Leader: Dan Marquis. Meet at J.C. Penney's, Auburn.



*photo by Dan Marquis*